

Social Personal

THE Bachelors' ball is the coming event which is now casting a rosy shadow before, in visions of lovely new gowns, new girls, new men, new dances and a general re-creation of all the beauty and delight of the other balls.

Mrs. William Matthews, Mrs. E. E. Chase, Mrs. W. E. Keller, Mrs. H. H. Brady, Jr., Mrs. T. F. Penman, Miss Cook, of Jacksonville, Fla.; Mrs. A. C. Tuttle, Mrs. T. C. von Storch, Mrs. George Hill, Mrs. W. J. Brown, Mrs. Ives, Mrs. E. B. Jernyn, Mrs. G. B. Jernyn, Mrs. J. S. Lynde, Mrs. C. B. Sturges, Mrs. George Sturges, Mrs. G. C. Youm, Mrs. Wainwright, Miss Banks, of Englewood, N.J.; Mrs. Owens, Mrs. J. W. Ware, Mrs. Walter M. Dickson, Mrs. C. B. Penman, Mrs. E. G. Courson, Mrs. A. H. Crispy, Mrs. G. D. Murray, Mrs. A. M. Storrs, Miss Diana Reynolds, Misses Jennie and Clara Reynolds.

The many friends of Miss Esther Rowland are rejoiced over the continued absence of any symptoms which indicate an unfavorable result from the dreadful injuries which she suffered a few weeks ago.

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who will regret her departure. Among those who have entertained informally in her honor were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Matthews, Mrs. J. S. Lynde, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Penman, Miss Howell, Mrs. William Matthews and Mrs. Flett.

The Thirteenth church service of the Pennsylvania Society of the Sons of the Revolution, to commemorate the beginning of the encampment of the American army at Valley Forge, in 1777, will be held Sunday, Dec. 22, in St. Peter's church, Third and Pine streets, Philadelphia.

The service will be in charge of the Rev. George Woodsey Hodge, chaplain, and the sermon will be preached by Rev. Rogers Israel, D. D., of this city, who is a member of the Pennsylvania society.

Another member is Rufus James Foster, who heads the list of the following distinguished names connected with the society and directing the commemorations of this great historical event: Rufus James Foster, Charles Evert Cadwalader, M. D., Edward Koons Rowland, C. Stuart Patterson, George Steptoe Washington, Arthur Vincent Meigs, M. D., William Wayne, Jr., Charles Henry Jones, ex-officio, Albert Nelson Lewis, Arthur Donald Smith, M. D., Samuel Philip Sedler, Ph. D., Victor Gullion, John Herman Converse, Sidney Frederick Tyler, Frank Little Sheppard, James Hunter Ewing, William MacPherson Horner, chairman.

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Mrs. M. M. Pierce, of Binghamton, will be the guest of Mrs. Andrew Nelson Walker for the next few days.

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ened in the middle distance by a scene of amiable and touched with the gold of selfishness on the far hills and the near foreground.) The woman whose busy brain would work on Sundays at something reasoned that if the minister insisted on bringing a death bed scene into the church, she didn't care to see it or hear about it, so she constructed that memorable bridesmaid frock. You've seen it. Such a dear as it was and so was the bridesmaid.

Then we carry along our troubles—a weary load—and the sermon serves nicely for an obligate to the doleful monotone which drones through our heavy brain. We turn them over and over and almost groan out loud in a way that not even a Methodist does any more in the sanctuary, and we nearly fly into little bits because we want to go back home and gather up an extra hundred weight.

Sometimes we take our grudges into the pew and on that Sunday morning the minister might as well preach in choice Choctaw for all the good his words do us. If there is anything in the world that will make deaf ears and unseeing eyes and a worse than mute tongue, it is just a poor, miserable little limp of a grudge sitting crouched in a dull corner of a sore heart.

He will hover there, shivering and ugly and oozing with hateful claws every sensitive string of the nature that is out of tune, and tugging mercilessly at every delicate nerve of memory that recalls unhappy hours. Horrid little fiend! If only we could be sensible enough to drive him from that dark lurking place and open the window, cobwebby with prejudice, and let in a bit of the sunshine of forgetfulness and happy thoughts, what a change could be wrought.

But instead of this we dress up our puny, thresome little stretch of a grudge and coax him about to church, and nurse him tenderly while the organ sings in triumph and the minister prays, "Forgive us our transgressions as we forgive them that trespass against us"—and the person for whom we cherish the grudge doesn't care a bit.

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